

# THE STEEPLE

The Church of the Nativity

October 7, 2015

## Our Mission

*God's family at the historic Church of the Nativity is joyfully and energetically committed to sharing Christ's love and healing by proclaiming the Good News of the Gospel through worship and service to the world.*



CHURCH  
OF THE  
NATIVITY,  
EPISCOPAL

Est. 1843

## Worship Schedule

(\* Nursery available)

### SUNDAY

7:45am Rite I

Holy Eucharist

(Bibb Chapel)

\*8:45am Rite II

Holy Eucharist

Children's Chapel

\*11:00am Rite II

Holy Eucharist

### WEDNESDAY

Noon

Holy Eucharist & Healing

(Bibb Chapel)

### THURSDAY

6:00pm Rite II

Holy Eucharist

(Bibb Chapel)

GOD  
THE GIVER

October 25 is  
Commitment Sunday

God is many things to us. As Father, he created us and gave us our very lives. As Son, He gave His life for us so that we may have eternal life. As Holy Spirit, He walks with us daily to give us guidance on our journey. The common thread in all these descriptions is GIVING. God is a giver, and He asks us to give back a portion of what He has given us for the building of His kingdom.

As we read the Bible together as a parish through the Story, we come across examples of GOD THE GIVER over and over. We learn that God gave us this earth and all that is therein to tend and nurture. He gave His people great leaders to guide them through hard times. And, ultimately, He gave us His only son to die on a cross as atonement for our sins. GOD THE GIVER can be found on nearly every page!

As we begin our stewardship campaign for 2016, we are asked to pause and reflect on what God has given us, then to respond in a manner that reflects His generosity. Before we can discern the proper response to God's generosity, we must accept one immutable fact: **stewardship is about discipleship**. Stewardship has nothing to do with the church budget, paying bills, or how the Vestry spends our money. Everything we have is a result of God's grace, and we grow in Him by giving back to His purposes as He has given to us.

I invite you to grow in discipleship by being a generous giver just as God is a generous giver. If you have never pledged before or are not currently pledging, please accept this invitation to make a pledge for the coming year. If you have been pledging a fixed amount, I urge you to begin increasing your pledge and working toward the tithe. If you have been tithing, consider how you can further give back to God through your time, talent, and financial resources.

God has blessed us all through His grace. We don't deserve it, and we haven't earned it – He simply gives it to us because He loves us. What does He expect in return? Nothing more than being good stewards – using what He has so generously given us to be His hands and feet here on earth. Won't you join your Nativity family in making a generous pledge for 2016? GOD THE GIVER hopes you will say 'yes!'

David Collette

Nativity Stewardship Ministry

5th Annual Nativity & First Presbyterian

# Trunk or Treat

You'll Have A Scary Good Time on Greene Street!

Sunday,  
October 25  
5.00 to 6.30

In the Greene Street  
Market parking lots



🎃 Decorate your car trunk!

🎃 Wear your costume!

🎃 Have lots of fun!

Questions? Want to help?  
Contact Mary Coe, 256.533.2455  
or [mcoe@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:mcoe@nativity-hsv.org)

Click or tap anywhere on this image to reserve a spot for your trunk via SignUpGenius

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c094ca8a62ca2fc1-trunk>

Free Hot Dog Dinner  
At 1st Pres.



EYC Church of the Nativity

## Welcome Anna Quirk



Nativity parishioner Anna Quirk began working as the part-time youth ministry assistant at the beginning of September, and will serve in that role through December of this year. A graduate of the Birmingham Southern College, Anna is working with Nativity's 7th and 8th graders in Sunday School and EYC, and co-leading the new Wednesday night Bible Study for girls in high school. She is also responsible for some administrative and communications tasks related to Nativity's youth ministry.

She brings energy and experience to this role, and is doing marvelous work already.

Upcoming events:

October 18th Corn Maze Trip to Lyon Family Farms 3:00 PM to 7:30 PM

October 25th Trunk or Treat. Meet at 3:30 PM to begin decorating the youth selfie booth with First Presbyterian Church

Contact: William Blackerby [wblackerby@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:wblackerby@nativity-hsv.org)

## Welcome Nativity's newest staff



**Mary Coe**

### **Children's Formation Director**

No stranger to Nativity, Mary Coe is the new Children's Formation Director, taking over from Barbara Bonner who stepped down this Fall. Born and raised in Huntsville, Mary lived in San Francisco before moving back here about 10 years ago. "I came to a fork in the road, and took it" is how Mary described her path that led her back.

Married with three children (husband Dan, daughters Olivia and Finola, and son Eamonn), Mary is also the daughter of Nativity member Jennie Coe.

Mary enjoys design and the arts and looks forward to seeing her favorite movies, Bagdad Café and The Graduate.



**Marlin Wilder**

### **Sexton**

Quickly becoming known for his warm smile and friendly hellos, Marlin Wilder is the new Sexton who is taking over from Al Ford who recently retired. Born and raised in Huntsville, Marlin lived in Long Island, New York.

Ready to return home, Marlin returned to Huntsville in 2000

A mason for 25 years, Marlin is a member of the Dorick Lodge #53 F.'A.'M.' and a past patron of the Debra Chapter #31 O.'E.'S.' and the Royal Eagle Chapter #27 R.'A.'M.'.

Marlin is married (Trina) with a grown daughter, and 2 grandchildren.



**Amanda Goeke**

### **Children's Formation Assistant**

Familiar to Vacation Bible Schoolers as Professor Drench, Amanda Goeke is the Children's Formation Assistant.

Growing up as a Marine brat, and serving in the Army, Amanda has travelled extensively although she considers Maryland as her base. Relocating to Huntsville in 2013, Amanda and her family (Husband Rob, and three boys, Ronan, Jensen, and Fenway) quickly have embraced Nativity with their presence and talents.

Besides being a triathlete (if that's not enough!), Amanda is proud of her musical skills and plays the bass clarinet.

### **Monthly Men's Breakfast**

Tuesday, October 13, *Suggested donation \$5*



6:30 am Simple Eucharist, Bibb Chapel

7:00 am Guest Speaker: Madison County Sheriff Blake Dorning



## PARISH FORUM: THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH'S SAME-GENDER MARRIAGE POLICY

\*Wednesday, October 14, 6:00pm. and Sunday October 18, 12:15pm (Ridley Hall) - The Rector and Vestry invites you to this important dialog regarding the Church's Mission and ministry.

The new policy for use in the Diocese of Alabama beginning November 29, 2015, the First Sunday of Advent is available by clicking or tapping here.

Childcare for the Wednesday forum is available by reservation. Please call the church office (256.533.2455) to make your reservation.

## Mark Your Calendars !!!



Tuesday, October 27th  
9:00 - 11:00am

**Where:**  
Church of the Nativity  
Banister Room

**Cost:**  
\$30 Standard FLU Shot  
\$60 High Dose FLU Shot

*(Covered under Medicare & Medicaid)*

### Contact to Register:

Amy Baxter

256-533-2455 ext. 221

[abaxter@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:abaxter@nativity-hsv.org)

*If you are needing a Pneumonia Shot,  
please contact: Mrs. Debbie Collette  
directly at 256-527-5050  
so she can order the one you need.*

CHURCH OF THE NATIVITY, EPISCOPAL

## ANNUAL BAZAAR

THURSDAY,  
NOVEMBER 19, 2015

### RESERVE YOUR ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTH

There are a limited number of spaces available. Reservations are now being accepted. [Click or tap here for the reservation form.](#) For details or a paper copy, Contact Mem Bryant (256-509-9971) or [membryant@knology.net](mailto:membryant@knology.net)

### DONATE TO THE ANNUAL BAKE SALE

Sign up online via SignUpGenius to donate baked, canned, or frozen items:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4baaac2fa75-nativity>



THURSDAY  
NOVEMBER 12

SAVE THE  
DATE

## Cookies for Kairos

October 15 - 18



God's Special Time

It's time for more cookies.... Kairos #60 will be Oct 15-18. Michael Shipley and Chris Singer will be serving on staff. As always we want to shower the staff and the 42 men in white with lots of prayers and of course home made cookies from our wonderful bakers from Nativity.

One dozen cookies per one gallon zip locked bag, THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT. Nuts are fine although no fruit or sugar toppings. Other than that, most all cookies are welcome. Cookie guidelines, and some recipe ideas, are available by clicking the Kairos image or at the front desk of the church office.

All cookies will be picked up at the church office on Thursday October 15 by 11:00am. Thank you for helping with this very special ministry.

Contact: [MichaelLShipley@aol.com](mailto:MichaelLShipley@aol.com)

## Sewanee Musicians To Present Next Friends of Music Concert

Friday, October 23, 7:30pm, (Church)

Four faculty members from the University of the South Music Department will present the next Friends Of Music concert at the Church of the Nativity on Friday, October 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 pm. Entitled *Organ Plus*, this intriguing concert features music for organ and other instruments – in this case piano, English horn and saxophone - by five twentieth century composers of American, French, Belgian, and Canadian nationalities. You are cordially invited to attend.

Robert Delcamp, concert organist, is no stranger to The Nativity and returns for this concert with his faculty colleagues Bernadette Lo, pianist; Rebecca Van de Ven, English Hornist and Cèsar Leal, saxophonist. Dr. Delcamp is Professor of Music and University Organist at Sewanee, where one of his primary responsibilities is as Director of the University Choir which presents Sewanee's annual Advent Service of Lessons and Carols. As a concert artist, organist Robert Delcamp has toured extensively throughout the United States, performing for numerous chapters of the American Guild of Organists,

showcasing music in his specialty of the nineteenth and early twentieth century organ literature. Taiwanese pianist Bernadette Lo has become a much sought-after collaborative pianist, performing with renowned artists Carol Vaness and Martina Arroyo. She has been engaged by the Orpheus Vocal Competition in Murfreesboro, TN, the Tennessee Cello Workshop, the Tennessee Viola Celebration and the 41<sup>st</sup> International Horn Symposium. Rebecca Van de Ven has held oboe positions in numerous major symphony orchestras. Since 1994 she has been a free-lance musician, performing with many symphony orchestras, including the Nashville and Huntsville Symphonies and maintaining a teaching studio. Dr. Cèsar Leal is currently the Artistic Director and Conductor of the Sewanee Symphony Orchestra and holds degrees in saxophone, conducting and musicology.

A featured work on this varied concert will be the Concerto for Piano and Organ, Op 74 by Belgian composer-organist Flor Peeters. The concert is rounded out with other music by Calvin Hampton, Jean Guillou, Joseph Jongen and Denis Bédard, making an inviting evening of music which you will not want to miss.

## Employment Opportunity

### Choirmaster / Organist

Vibrant, historic, urban parish of 1,800 parishioners, in a progressive, high-tech city, seeks experienced full-time organist/choirmaster. The full position description is online available via website ([nativity-hsv.org](http://nativity-hsv.org)) or a [direct link here](#). Applications accepted through October 15

Candidates should provide a resume along with a statement concerning the role of music in Anglican worship to:

Organist/Choirmaster Search Committee  
Church of the Nativity, Episcopal  
208 Eustis Avenue, SE  
Huntsville, AL 35801

[ocmsearch@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:ocmsearch@nativity-hsv.org)  
[nativity-hsv.org](http://nativity-hsv.org)

Please remember to include the search committee in your prayers

Mac Phillips - chair	Martha Brouse
Ginney McDonald	Stacy Moon
Jerry Nutt	Patrick Robbins
Fr. Andy Anderson	<i>ex-officio</i>

Also available:

**WEEKEND SEXTON - part-time, 10 hours weekly**  
HOURS: 8:00am - Noon on Saturday and  
7:00am - 1:00pm on Sunday.

Please submit names to Amy Baxter  
The Rector's Assistant [abaxter@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:abaxter@nativity-hsv.org).

### **Outreach in Acton**



Lou Durnya, Nativity Vestry member, presents Ginger Finzel, Executive Director of the Community Free Dental Clinic with a \$2,000 contribution from Nativity Outreach to purchase equipment for the new clinic.

The Huntsville Assistance Program is one of the referring agencies for their services.

## **'Just Stuff It'** **10th Season Premiere**

**Schedule change:** The meal packing for First Stop will be Sunday, October 11th after the 11:00am service.

We'll gather in the library. Engage in hands-on assistance to go along with the Outreach Ministry funds that you provide.



## **Second Sunday Community Service**

Sunday, October 11, 6:00pm  
(Ridley Hall) Inter-generational event to pack weekend meal bags for the children at Blossomwood elementary.

37% of the children attending there are in need of weekend food at home. Nativity has partnered with Blossomwood to provide these 280 children a take-home meal pack each week.

Any age and help appreciated

## **Baptism Reminder**

For parents whose children are scheduled for baptism on All Saints' Day, Nov. 1:

Preparation classes begin Tuesday, October 13! If you haven't contacted Mother Bonnie ([bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:bmccrickard@nativity-hsv.org)) about the preparation classes, please do so by noon on Monday, October 12!

## **QUICK BITS**

### **Mission Guild**

Monday October 19th at 10:00am (Library) - The Guest Speaker is Bill McDowell, Executive Director, Second Mile. Hostesses are Ann Moses and Mary Jean Diehl.

We welcome you to join us.



### **HAP for October**

Items needed: Fruit, meat (chicken, ham, spam), soups, boxed meals, boxed potatoes, pork and beans, all vegetables (even green beans!), and peanut butter.

**Thanks for all your support!**

### **For those attending the Sunday morning Breakfast Club**

The Breakfast Club will Not be meeting this week – October 11<sup>th</sup>. Amy, Emily and Rusty are out of town!

## **Nativity Women's Retreat 2016**

St. Mary's Sewanee , TN

This year's theme:  
**Prayer Boot Camp**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**One night only – Friday, Feb. 19th  
and Saturday morning Feb 20th !**

**Speaker –Suzanne Matthews**

**Price - \$130.00 per person**

**Contact Lane Tutt**

### **Trunk or treat Volunteers Needed:**

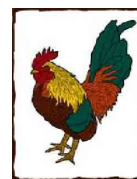
If you are a trick or treat free household, please consider volunteering , leaving parents of young children free to chase their trick or treaters. Sign up to decorate your car trunk: extreme theme or extremely simple, all are welcome.

And we need help with set up, the moon walk, and serving supper. Bring your candy donations (individually wrapped pieces) to the box in Ridley Hall.

Contact Mary Coe: (256.533.2455)  
or [mcoe@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:mcoe@nativity-hsv.org).

### **Cursillistas Please Take Note!!**

Thursday, October 8, 6:45pm,  
(Church) - We will walk the Stations of the Cross with Cursillo #200. Please enter the Church at the garden door by Bibb Chapel





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You are cordially invited to attend the 2015 Church of the Nativity

**Thanks-for-Giving Celebration**

presented by the Nativity Stewardship Ministry

*Date/time: Wednesday, October 21, beginning at 6:00 pm*

*Location: Huntsville Museum of Art Davison Center for the Arts*

Call the Church Office (256.533.2455) or email [rsvp@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:rsvp@nativity-hsv.org)

**Please join us as we celebrate the generosity of our parish family!**



*Proper 23  
Mark 10:17-31*

By worldly standards I'm rich; I have food, more than one pair of shoes, clothes for every season, good health care, reliable transportation, a comfortable place to sleep, and I owe no one. Yet, by U.S. standards I'm not at all rich. Years ago, while on the road to financial wealth, I listened to the wrong advice and was beaten to a financial pulp and landed in a ditch. While in the ditch I had a lucky break; I was on my church's stewardship committee (because I didn't mind making phone calls) and they sent me to a local stewardship conference where I heard Bishops Ted Jones and Cate Waynick describe their journeys to tithing and the joy and richness of life that journey brought them. I committed to tithe ... right then. On the way home from that conference in my \$70 car I figured out how I could do it. Just keep a log of every little bit I earned and on Sunday 10% of the week's earnings would go to church. I did it ... tithed to the penny every little bit of income for a year. What happened? My checkbook recovered, and I'm still giving with the tithe as the minimum.

What am I discovering on my journey of giving? When I started sharing what I had, worrying about the lack of money stopped. That's when my pocketbook began to heal. Most remarkable, though, has been the healing of my soul,

the freedom reaped from the peace of mind gained from being a go-giver rather than a go-getter.

Have I sold everything? No. To sell all I own and follow Jesus is more than I can do! My failure at selling all I own is buffered a bit by recalling: "For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible."

Here's what this mortal soul has done though: I've given it all away through the miracle of Planned Giving. What did the rich man do after the suggestion to go sell what he owned? We don't know. One thing I do know for certain: I love me and my fellow man more after coming to grips with giving away what I have been given. The road is wide enough for you to join me on my journey. Should you stay on the tithing road for a year, as I did, you may wish to continue. You'll never know 'til you try! Of this I'm certain: You'll not regret the journey

**Reflection Questions:**

Do you consider yourself rich?  
Make a list of all the ways that you are rich.  
What events or memories mark your journey of giving?

John Vernon Oaks is the stewardship officer for the Episcopal Diocese of Indiana. He worships at St. Paul's Cathedral in Indianapolis

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**Reminder: You can pledge online anytime! Click or tap here for Nativity's 2016 pledge page or select PLEDGE NOW under the GIVING tab from the website.**

## Stewardship of Creation

### "Today's Pesticides Mean Trouble for Tomorrow's Children"

A physicians group says chemicals used in agriculture and other industries are affecting global reproductive health. There are a lot of places where there are lots of toxic chemicals. Like a Gowanus Canal Superfund site in New York City, or a mining waste facility. Also, your kitchen.

According to numbers from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the average American has traces of 29 pesticides present in his or her body. In an opinion piece published Thursday in the International Journal of Gynecology and Obstetrics, the exposure through food is part of an extensive threat to global health—especially for future generations.

"We are drowning our world in untested and unsafe chemicals, and the price we are paying in terms of our reproductive health is of serious concern,"

Gian Carlo Di Renzo, the lead author of the paper, told Reuters.

Members of the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics mention the pesticide chlorpyrifos—which is commonly sprayed on everything from soy to citrus to grapes—in the same breath as lead and mercury as among the chemicals that interfere "with one of more critical periods of human development leading to developmental neurotoxicity."

"Consequently," they continue, "even small exposures during a window of vulnerability can trigger adverse health consequences that can manifest across the life span of individuals and generations." While the long-term health effects of the kind of low-level pesticide exposure we get through eating produce remain unknown, while the research conducted on farm workers and their children is sobering.

Research conducted by the University of California, Berkeley, in California's Salinas Valley, a major vegetable growing region, found that exposure to organophosphates like chlorpyrifos during pregnancy was associated with as much as a seven-point decline in IQ scores for seven-year-olds.

Another study, performed at UC Davis, found that living close to fields sprayed with organophosphates may result in higher autism rates.

With the World Health Organization's cancer research group saying that the world's most commonly used herbicide, glyphosate, is a "probable carcinogen," and both state and federal regulatory efforts promising safer handling and applications of pesticides, the issue of chemical exposure in agriculture is receiving an increasing amount of attention in the U.S. But the FIGO members warn that developing countries are set to see the most growth in chemical manufacturing in the next five years—and regulations for producing, handling, and disposing of those chemicals, in agriculture or other fields, may be more lax in those countries.

On the retail end of the supply chain, pesticides are a concern to 85 percent of Americans, according to a recent Consumer Reports survey. But buying organic—the easiest way to limit exposure through diet—can be a financial burden. Still, the FIGO authors recommend, in part, policies "that foster a healthy food chain."

"This includes increasing the capacity for women and men who are planning a family, as well as pregnant and breast-feeding women, to eat fresh fruits and pesticide-free vegetables, legumes, and whole grains daily, to avoid fast foods and other processed foods whenever possible.

Willy Blackmore is TakePart's Food editor.  
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Posted from TakePart.com Oct 2, 2015,

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## Liz Hurley Run - Lemonade in the Shade, Sort of... Saturday Oct 17, 7:45am (Church parking circle)

Do you have friends or family running the Liz Hurley? Join Nativity friends and family at the circle for coffee, water and lemonade and cheer the runners on!

Nativity is at the top of the Greene Street hill and at the last big hill before the finish line. Wear Pink and cheer them on!

Contact: Stacy Moon [smoon@fb-pc.com](mailto:smoon@fb-pc.com)





# Vestry Nominations Slate for 2016

## to be presented at Annual Parish Meeting on November 8, 10:00am

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### DONALD CHRISTIAN

Donald and his wife Tracey have attended Nativity since 2010, were confirmed in 2011 and married at Nativity in April 2013. He has four children: Twin sons Harris and Shelby, attending the University of North Alabama and the University of Alabama, respectively; daughter Sarah Elizabeth who is currently teaching at Blossomwood Elementary;

and stepson Cameron Graham, a graduate of Sewanee, beginning graduate studies at Kings College - London.

Donald earned a BA from the University of Alabama, a JD from the Cumberland School of Law, and has practiced law in his hometown of Huntsville for the past twenty-five years. At Nativity, he has served as a lay parish visitor and a Stephen Minister



### FISHER HUTCHENS

Fisher rejoined the Nativity congregation in 1999, upon returning from the beaches of Southern California with his new bride Johanna. He joined his father Vernon at the family business; The Hutchens Co., and is the 4th generation to lead the Company. He and Johanna have 2 wonderful children: Sara and John.

Fisher was born in Huntsville, baptized at Nativity, and went to Camp McDowell as a kid. He was in the youth choir, acolyte and EYC member. He received a BEE from Georgia Tech, He is an Eagle Scout and an assistant scoutmaster. He has attended Cursillo, and likes to cook breakfast for the Nativity congregation on Sundays with "the fellowship of the biscuit". He is a regular in the "Breakfast Club" Sunday school class.



### DOTTIE CRAWFORD

Dorothy (Dottie) Crawford began attending Nativity in 1962, and married her husband, Ronny, at Nativity, in 1967. After living in Greensboro, Alabama for many years, she and Ronny returned to Huntsville in 2012 to be closer to their children.

Back at Nativity, Dottie is actively involved with everything from the Blue Apron Ministry to the Cursillo community (and most programs in between). She and Ronny are also avid supporters of Camp McDowell and its programs.

Dottie and Ronny have three children and six grandchildren. Daughters Holly Ellis and Madeline Mullins, and their families, live in Huntsville and are active members of Nativity. Their son Matt, and his family, lives in Frisco, TX.



### DORRIE NUTT

Dorrie Nutt has been a member of Nativity since moving to Huntsville in 1981. She has taught Sunday school for 4 year olds, taken part in the EfM study, and served in the Acolyte master group for 14 years. This will be her second time to serve on the Vestry.

She is a musician with the Huntsville Symphony and freelances with opera, Broadway shows, chamber music groups and church orchestras throughout the region. Dorrie teaches private music lessons and is on the faculty of UAH. She is married to Jerry (and because of this, gets to travel with and listen to the Nativity choir!) and has two grown children who live in New York City and Houston TX.



### KIM HUSKEY

Kim was baptized at The Church of the Nativity in 1969 and confirmed as an adult in 2001. Kim and her husband Tom were married at Nativity in 1994. They have 2 children, Joshua (14), and Alec (9), and 5 pets (3 dogs and 2 cats).

Kim has been teaching Sunday school since 2004, in Godly Play, The WoRM and currently teaching 2nd grade "The Story". She has enjoyed serving in several church ministries along with training as a Stephen's Minister.

Kim has worked for 18 years as an instructor with EARTHSOPE, a part of Huntsville City Schools and was awarded the Best Environmental Educator in the State of Alabama in 2015. As a community volunteer she has recently served on the board of Friends, Inc. and is involved in the Monte Sano community.



### ROBERT (BOB) THOMPSON

Robert and his wife Connie Ruth have attended Nativity since 2013. For over thirty eight years, Robert worked as a construction supervisor and maintenance for a paper mill in Jackson County, AL.

Robert and Connie Ruth have three children and three grandchildren. Robert has been active in many groups and activities at Nativity. These groups include: Cursillo, the Soap reunion group, sponsor in the Seekers Class, a volunteer at the Greene Street Market, and the parish retreat.

## Acolyte Schedule - October 2015

*Almost everyone made it on to the schedule this month—we are blessed with so many acolytes we can't always find places for them! BUT, we sure do need you on the Sunday you are scheduled. If you find you are unable to serve, email to find a sub, then let us know who will be filling in. In general, acolytes trained as torches cannot fill in for a crucifer, server or assistant server, but the older acolytes who know all the positions would be able to fill in for anyone—so do check to make sure your sub is trained for the position that needs filling. Thanks so much!*

### October 4

#### 8:45 A/M Nutt

C Karsten Correale, Alexander Young  
T Bailey Morrison, Joshua Huskey  
T Patrick Ahearn, Alice Malone  
S Ireland Braudaway  
AS Alice Malone

#### 11:00 A/M M Ward

C Robert McCown, Allison Taylor  
T Mary Kate Brooks, Ella Jane Duncan  
T Molly Ward, Katie Garth Kelley  
S David DiFranco  
AS Evan Ward

### October 11

#### 8:45 A/M Sherrill

C Sims Windham, Windham Hunter  
T Tess Lambert, Katherine Hunter  
T Huston Moring, Gillian Sharp  
S Cameron Pinson  
AS Emery Windham

#### 11:00 A/M Sherrill

C Jordan Cozby, John Sadler Evans  
T Laura Kate Evans, Dylan Chenoweth  
T Evans Bryant, Betsy Bryant  
S Evan Ellison  
AS Margaret Bryant

### October 18

#### 8:45 A/M M Ward

C Allie Starnes, Franklin Aldag  
T Lucy Ellis, Caroline Knight  
T Thomas Aldag, Evelyn Warren  
S Margaret Foster  
AS Park Ellis

#### 11:00 A/M Nutt

C Forrest Webber, Stuart Evans  
T Elizabeth Evans, Madelyn Alison  
T Mary Ellis Alison, Luke Alison  
S Evans Alison  
AS Britt Webber

### October 25

#### 8:45 A/M Putt

C Meredith Walker, Jackson Anglin  
T Clay Walker, Sarah Whelden Hall  
T Shannon Gunter, Parker Sanders  
S Ellie Walker  
AS Van Dodgen

#### 11:00 A/M Nutt

C Powell Stockton, Bankston Creech  
T Jed Rainey, Mary Maddox Creech  
T Leighton Luther, Alexander Grelier  
S Chloe Parsons  
AS Jack Benton Stockton

## Upcoming Events at a Glance

### October

28th Family Spaghetti Dinner 5:30pm  
29th Final Greene Street Market of 2015 3:00 - 6:00pm

### November

1st	Daylight Saving Time ends HAP Sunday Nativity Choir All Saints' Evensong	5:00pm
8th	Annual Parish Forum (Ridley Hall) No adult Sunday School	10:00am
12th	A Taste of Nativity (off-site)	
19th	Nativity's Annual Bazaar	

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**We pray for those who are ill or recovering:** Pam Rogers, Hap Welch, Martha Joffrion, Charles Smith, Kingslea de Roode Merkel, Cecelia Duncan, Claire Johnston, Lorene Dilworth, Anna Post, Nancy Colin Swenson, Bob Hale, Carla King, Leigh Wahl, Elsie Olsen

**We pray for the birth of a child:**

Miller Hayes Whitworth, born on September 28th, son of Kelly & Chad Whitworth, grandson of Sherry & Charles Whitworth; great-grandson of Sherry Sampson.

**We pray for the departed:**

Andy Serio, father of Bob Serio  
Charles Sherman, father of Kim Hartley  
Mary Jane Petty, cousin of Gail Rogers  
Ed Greene  
Eileen Sullivan

**We pray for the Diocese of Alabama Cursillo community which is celebrating its 200th weekend at Camp McDowell**

**We pray for the pilgrim who is attending Cursillo #200:**

Angela Lucas

**We pray for those deployed/serving with the Military:**

US Navy, Jesse Teal

**We give thanks for birthdays of our children:**

10/8	Laura Kate Evans	10/8	Forrest Webber	10/8	Patrick Rozar	10/9	Paxtyn Whitney
10/9	Sarah Whelden Hall	10/9	Anna Chilton	10/11	Lucy Kane	10/13	Ellie DeFiore
10/13	Chloe Parsons	10/14	Emily Ellison	10/17	Will Dodgen	10/19	Cole Greco
10/20	Amelia Rosler						

Parish Financial Report - Period Ending 8/31/2015				
	CURRENT MONTH	BUDGET for PERIOD	ACTUAL YTD	BUDGET YTD
Pledges Received	95,190.31	107,144.79	809,714.17	857,158.34
Plate	6,876.75	8,333.33	54,962.15	66,666.68
Other Revenues	3,751.26	10,141.68	161,476.35	81,133.28
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>105,818.32</b>	<b>125,619.80</b>	<b>1,026,152.67</b>	<b>1,004,958.30</b>
Diocesan, School of Theology, & Outreach	19,064.02	25,089.58	169,114.91	200,716.68
Personnel	65,867.26	71,083.33	571,860.44	568,666.68
Other Expenses	20,703.93	29,447.52	206,649.04	235,579.92
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>105,635.21</b>	<b>125,620.43</b>	<b>947,624.39</b>	<b>1,004,963.28</b>
<b>NET \$</b>	<b>183.11</b>	<b>\$ (0.63)</b>	<b>\$ 78,528.28</b>	<b>\$ (4.98)</b>

## Copies of financial records

and vestry minutes are available in the church office for members to review. Please contact Beverly Franklin or Amy Baxter to set up a time to review these documents.

**Vestry meetings** are open to the congregation. Vestry meetings are the **third Tuesday** of each month, beginning at 5:30pm



## STEEPLE SCHEDULE

*The Steeple* is published the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month.  
To submit events or articles, you may bring them to the church office or email:

[gsommer@nativity-hsv.org](mailto:gsommer@nativity-hsv.org)

The deadline for the next issue is Monday Noon, October 19<sup>th</sup>.

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Rector

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Associate

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Associate

**Dr. Stephen G. Schaffer**  
Interim Choirmaster and Organist

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Adult Christian Formation

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Coordinator of Youth Ministry

**Anna Quirk**  
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Children's Formation

**Amanda Goeke**  
Children's Formation Assistant

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**John Buyse**  
Property Manager

**Marlin Wilder**  
Sexton

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Bookkeeper/Business Mgr

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### WARDENS' COUNCIL

**Bill Starnes** Sr Warden

**Allen Daniels** Jr Warden

**Michele Hunter** Clerk

**Brandon Smith** Treasurer

**Brenda Chynoweth** Finance Chair

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### AFTER HOURS EMERGENCY

A member of the clergy is *on call* each week. If you need assistance from a priest outside office hours, the priest on call will respond to your message.

The number to call *In Case of an Emergency Only* is 256.533.7007

All other calls should be directed to church phone 256.533.2455 and follow the prompts to leave a message for a priest to respond.

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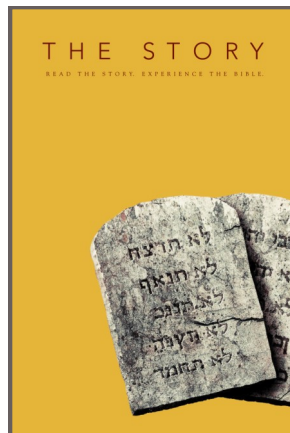
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October 7, 2015